UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT MIDDLE DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE NASHVILLE DIVISION

RUFUS A. THOMPSON, III,)	
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Petitioner,)	No. 3:05-0783
)	(Criminal Case
v.)	No. 3:01-00116)
)	Judge Echols
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	
)	
Respondent.)	

ORDER

For the reasons stated in the Memorandum entered contemporaneously herewith, the Motion to Vacate, Set Aside or Correct Sentence pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2255 (Docket Entry No. 1) filed by Petitioner Rufus A. Thompson, III, is hereby DENIED.

Because Petitioner cannot demonstrate that reasonable jurists would find the Court's assessment of his claims debatable or wrong, a Certificate of Appealability will not issue. <u>See Slack v. McDaniel</u>, 529 U.S. 473, 483-84 (2000).

It is so ORDERED.

ROBERT L. ECHOLS

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE